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J. FRANK BOWEN FARM

Port Republic

1894

Private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

J. Frank Bowen Farm

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Parker Creek Road

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Port Republic

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Calvert

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Berkman Construction Company

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #: AAH 30/15

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Mr. Ollie Bowen will be 89 years old in May, and he has spent most of his life in Port Republic. He was born in the house next to Ben I. Bowen's store, and when he was six years old, his father J. Frank Bowen built the house across the street from his present home. The oldest part of that house was built by his brother Edward c. 1912. Edward L. Bowen operated Ben I. Bowen's store during the 1920's and 1930's.

The house which J. Frank Bowen built in the 1890's was built on an existing farm. The barn on the hill west of the house was already there, as was a "tenant house" which has long since been destroyed. Ollie says that his father built the small barn in the hollow north of the house. J. Frank Bowen's house is of frame construction and is very typical with its cross-gable front facade (East) that is three bays in width with a central entrance. This same side exhibits a $1\frac{1}{2}$ bay porch. The main block is two stories in height and is one bay deep. A single story kitchen addition in the rear (West) gives the building an L-plan.

The symmetrically placed windows are 6/6.

The space heaters which warmed the house were serviced by an interior flue chimney on the north end of the building. A smaller chimney served the same purpose on the west end of the kitchen.

Tobacco Barn:

This is a nine room barn which has 10' tree-post sheds on the west, south, and east sides. The main portion has a post-and-beam frame which utilizes angle braces with open-face dovetail joints that are mortise-and-tenoned and held with trunnels. The members of this heavy frame exhibit vertical saw marks where in the sheds circular sawn materials were seen.

2' studding with nail holes in it suggests that clapboards originally covered the exterior walls.

Early strap hinges have been used as braces for the footing of the southwest corner posts of the shed.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES 1894 and before

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Wayne L. Nield, II

Historic Sites Survey

Broomes Island, Maryland 20615

580-2050

DATE

Winter 76-77

ORGANIZATION

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

TITLE

J. Frank Bowen Farm

AAH 30/15, August 23, 1932

-heirs of J. Frank Bowen

Henry W. Burkman and Katherine M. Burkman

GWD 8/132, October 17, 1907

25 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres Marsha E. Yoe

J. Frank Bowen

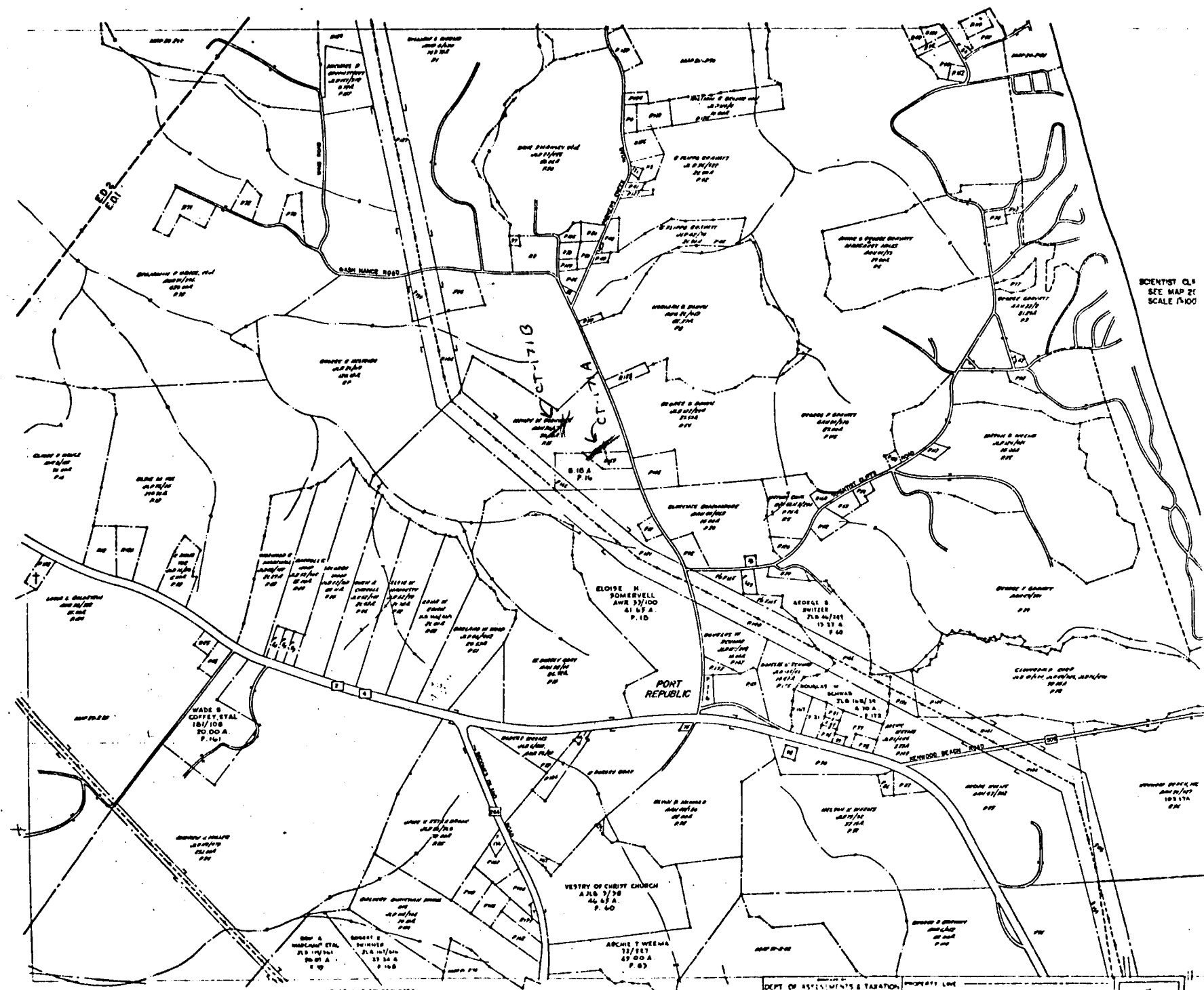
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John and Mattie Cook--J. Frank Bowen

248 acres

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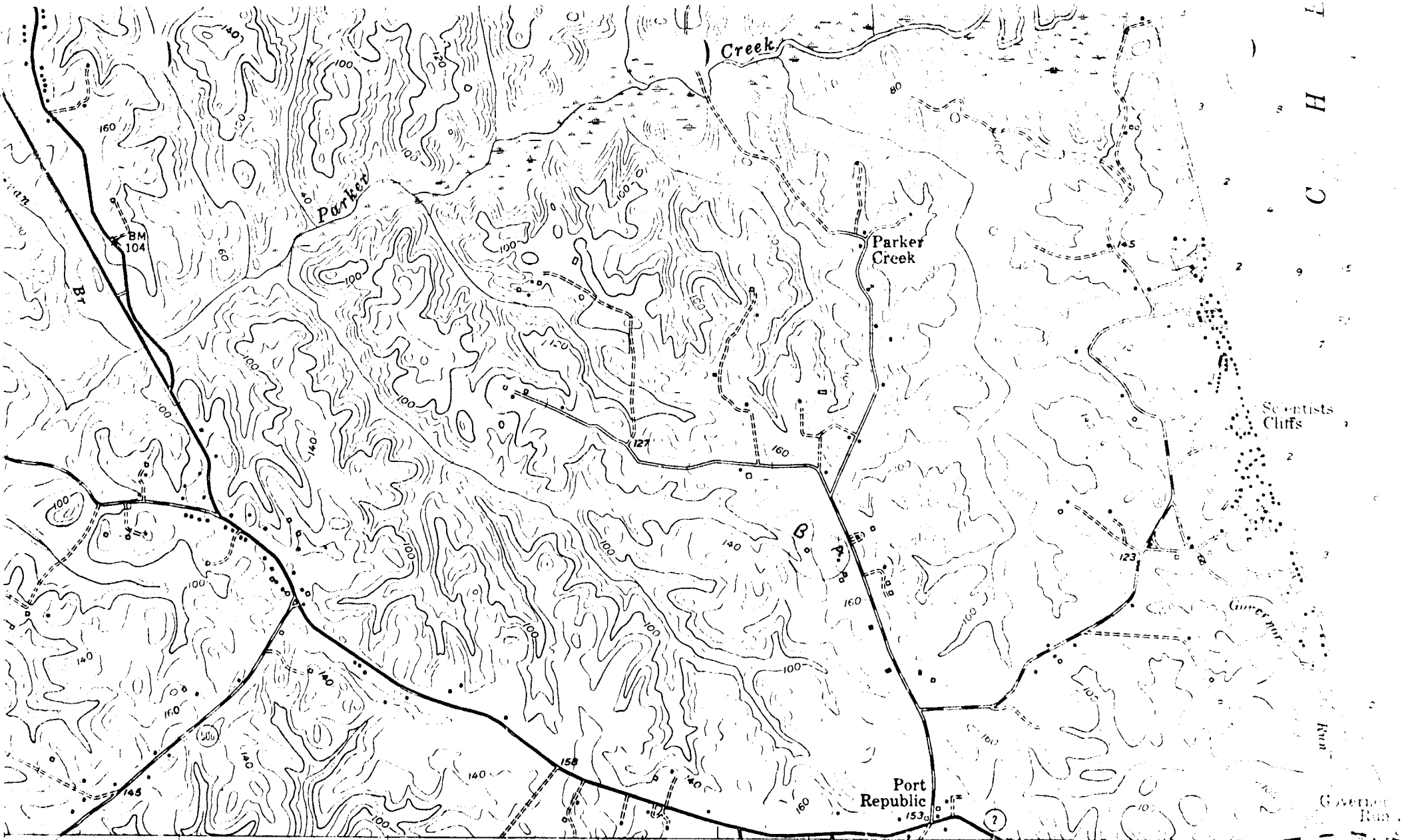


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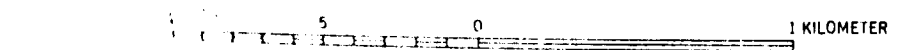
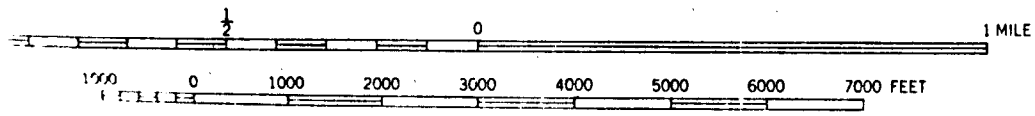
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SCALE 1" = 400'		2 1/2" = 1'	



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CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
 DATUM: MEAN SEA LEVEL
 (Note: The map uses Mean Low Water as the datum for elevation measurements.)



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty		Light-duty	
Medium-duty		Unimproved	
U.S. Route		State Route	

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